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Thuidium microphyllum (Sw.) Best. On decaying log, Morgantown (3885); along path and roadside in woods near McKinney's Cave, Bretz (4173, 4176).
Thuidium virginianum Lindb. On rock near Mont Chateau (1529).

Ulota Ludwigii Brid. On trunk of birch, Durbin (1044); Cranberry Glades (3673).

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PHOTOGRAPHING MOSSES*

In March, 1911, the Editor offered prizes for good photographs of mosses, but no entries of sufficient merit were received until after the time limit set had expired and then only one or two were received that were considered good enough for reproduction. For various reasons, even these did not become available for the BRYOLOGIST. Almost the only good photographs of mosses that have been published were in Nina Marshall's book in the Nature Library series, but unfortunately, the photographs were about the only good thing about the book. Prof. Fink and others have produced some excellent photographs of lichens, but nothing equally good has been produced of the mosses and hepatics, so far all the editor knows. Just how much of the beauty and delicacy of moss structure and outline can be adequately reproduced by photography is an unanswered question. The photograph herewith presented represents an attempt to find out what the camera will do. The Editor has set as his bryological task for the next few years, the problem of the photography of mosses and will be glad of suggestive criticisms and prints from other people's negatives. This photograph was taken with a Wollensak Royal Anastigmat, series 1, used in a Bausch and Lomb camera constructed for micro-photography, the very long bellows making possible the enlargement. The stop was U. S. 16, the light from two windows behind the camera and the plants posed with a background of black velvet. The exact time of exposure unfortunately was not noted in a "findable" place.

NECROLOGY

Jean Gabriel Edward Narcisse Paris died April 30, 1911, in his eighty-fourth year, having been born November 8, 1827, in Saint Contest, in the department of Calvados, a part of lower Normandy. He died at Dinard, in the department of Ille-et-Vilaine. This is also in the northwest corner of France bordering the English Channel and forming a part of the old province of Normandy. He was "General de Brigade," hence the more familiar name General Paris; he was also commander of the Legion of Honor. Having reached the age limit in 1889, he was retired, and it was after this time that he issued his best known work, the *Index Bryologicus*, the first edition in 1900, and the second in 1906. In 1862,

* See Plate IV.

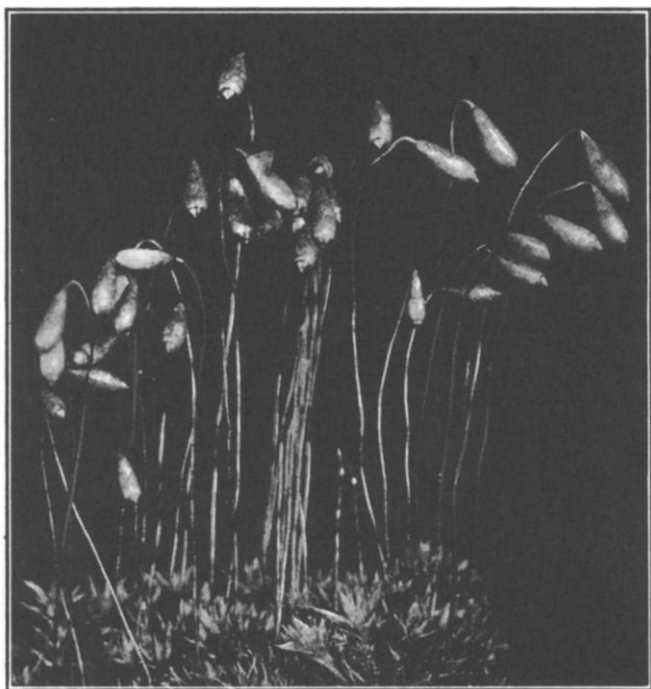


PLATE IV

Bryum caespiticiu m L. $\times 2$.